

PART I—Section 2.

GENERAL.

No. G. 10818—G. M. 76-15-214, dated 1st February 1916.

In continuation of Government Notification No. G. 5401—G. M. 76-15-128, dated 27th October 1915, the following Press Communiqué dated the 6th January 1916, issued by the Government of India in the Department of Commerce and Industry is hereby republished for general information.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

PRESS COMMUNIQUE.

Delhi, the 6th January 1916.

In modification of the Press Communiqué, dated the 25th September 1915, it is notified for general information that export of coal or coke from British India to the Dutch East Indies will be permitted under licenses subject to the following conditions or restrictions:—

1. Exports will be allowed only to certain firms approved by His Britannic Majesty's Consul-General, Batavia. The names of such firms may be ascertained from the Collectors of Customs.

2. Exporters will receive and will be required to communicate to the importers with each consignment of coal or coke despatched, the following statement of stipulations, namely:—

(i) that no coal or coke of any kind or origin is furnished directly or indirectly (a) to any vessel belonging to the enemy countries, (b) to any vessel known to trade with the enemy countries and (c) to any vessel or firm the name of which is specially notified;

(ii) that no coal or coke is used in the production of goods or by products of distillation of military value which are furnished directly or indirectly to enemy countries;

(iii) that no coal or coke is sold by one importer to another without the express authority of the Government of India which should be obtained through the Collector of Customs at the port of shipment; and

(iv) that the importers should give an undertaking to His Britannic Majesty's Consul-General, Batavia, that they will observe the above conditions.

3. Shippers should furnish to the Collector of Customs at the port of shipment a bond in respect of each consignment that they will produce, within a reasonable period, a certificate given to the importers by His Britannic Majesty's Consul-General, Batavia, to the effect that the foregoing stipulations have been or will be complied with. Infringement of any of the above conditions or restrictions will involve refusal of further licenses.

No. G. 10819—G. M. 76-15-215, dated 1st February 1916.

In continuation of Government Notification No. G. 6667—G. M. 76-15-137, dated 27th November 1915, the following letter No. R. & S. 1077, dated 5th March 1915, from the India Office and its enclosures are hereby republished for general information.

R. & S. 1077.

INDIA OFFICE,

London S. W.,

5th March 1915.

MY DEAR LOW,

With reference to the letter from this Department R. and S. 173, of the 25th February,

From Mr. Willis, dated 26th February, with enclosure.

From Messrs. Cowie Bros. & Company, dated 23rd February:

To Messrs. Cowie Bros. & Company R. and S. 1077, dated 4th March.

I enclose copies of further papers regarding the importation into India of goods of Belgian origin.

In order to make clear to you the view on which the letter to Messrs. Cowie Brothers was based, I also send a copy of an explanatory note submitted in this Department.

Yours sincerely,

FRANCIS C. DRAKE,

Secretary Revenue and Statistics Department.

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Secretary to the Government of India,

Commerce and Industry Department.